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REMARKS/DISCUSSION OF ISSUES

Specification. The Applicant has amended the specification herein to correct typographical and format errors. No new matter was introduced by the amendments of the specification herein.

Claims 1-21. In the Final Office Action of March 24, 2004, Examiner Moslehi rejected claims 1-21 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,332,163 to *Bowman-Amuah* et al. The Applicant has cancelled claims 1-21 herein. Withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1-21 under U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by *Bowman-Amuah* is therefore respectfully requested.

Claims 22-40. The Applicant respectfully asserts the art of record, particularly *Bowman-Amuah*, fails to teach or suggest:

1. "comparing a first positional cursor to a size of the vector in response to receiving a second call on the collection application program interface subsequent to receiving the initial first call on the collection application program interface", "retrieving a second set of at least one data element from the collection of data and storing the retrieved second set of at least one data element in the vector in response to the first positional cursor being equal to or greater than the size of the vector", and "retrieving the first set of at least one data element from the vector in response to the first positional cursor being less than the size of the vector" as recited in independent claims 22, 28, and 34; and
2. "means for comparing a first positional cursor to a size of the vector in response to receiving a second call on the collection application program

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interface subsequent to receiving the initial first call on the collection application program interface", "means for retrieving a second set of at least one data element from the collection of data and storing the retrieved second set of at least one data element in the vector in response to the first positional cursor being equal to or greater than the size of the vector", and "means for retrieving the first set of at least one data element from the vector in response to the first positional cursor being less than the size of the vector" as recited in independent claim 40.

No new matter was introduced by the addition of new claims 22-41 herein. An allowance of claims 22-41 is therefore respectfully requested.

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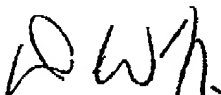
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CONCLUSION

The Applicant respectfully submits that new claims 22-41 as listed herein fully satisfy the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §§102, 103 and 112. In view of the foregoing, favorable consideration and early passage to issue of the present application is respectfully requested. If any points remain in issue that may best be resolved through a personal or telephonic interview, Examiner Moslehi is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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